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Ref: Ambassador Wahba-Jones 9/16/03 e-mail

 $\P1$. (U) Classified by Ambassador Marcelle M. Wahba, Reasons 1.5(b) and (d).

12. (C) Abdullah Rashid Al-Noaimi, MFA Under Secretary for Political Affairs, told the Ambassador on September 17 that the UAEG is deeply concerned that the Iraqi Governing Council (GC) may only be granted observer status -- not full status -- at the upcoming World Bank/IMF summit in Dubai. "We are pushing as we did in the Arab League" to secure a seat for the GC in that forum, Abdullah Rashid said. "We want the Iraqis to represent Iraq in the World

Bank meetings. We have asked for the help of other countries to support that," he said.

13. (C) The Ambassador said the U.S. agreed with the UAEG position and added that she would be surprised if the World Bank did not let the GC sit in the Iraq chair. Abdullah Rashid said it was important to give "visible authority" to the GC and the interim government. That would give them more credibility, he added. Abdullah Rashid acknowledged that this would be an interim arrangement until the Iraqis have a constitution, elections, and a government.